

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3422

ANSWERED ON:24.03.2005

REHABILITATION OF DISABLED AND OLD PERSONS

Jha Shri Raghunath

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) The details of schemes pertaining to the rehabilitation of disabled persons and old age persons and the agencies through which these schemes are being implemented;
- (b) Whether the agencies implemented the said schemes have provided the desired result;
- (c) If so, the details thereof and the extent to which these schemes have been successful;
- (d) Whether there is also any proposal to appointment National Consumer Co-operative Federation of India Ltd. (NCCF) as NGO to implement those schemes; and
- (e) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (c) Information is annexed.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Annex referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3422 for answer on 24.3.2005 put forth by Shri Raghunath Jha, regarding 'Rehabilitation of Disabled and Old Persons'.

The Government has been implementing a number of schemes for rehabilitation of persons with disabilities and old age persons. These schemes are regularly evaluated for their effectiveness through independent agencies. Corrective measures are taken if any deficiency is identified on evaluation of the schemes.

For rehabilitation of persons with disabilities, the following schemes are under implementation:

a) Six National Institutes set up in each major area of disability work, towards manpower development through long term and short term training programmes, provide rehabilitation services, undertake functional research etc.

b) The District Disability Rehabilitation Centers (DDRCs) provide assessment of need of assistive devices, provision/fitment/ follow up /repair of assistive devices, therapeutical services, etc. These Centers provide supportive and complementary services to promote education, vocational training and employment for persons with disabilities.

c) Schemes are also under implementation for providing support to non-Government organizations running special schools and imparting vocational training to persons with disabilities.

(d) Under the ADIP scheme, Aids and Appliances are distributed through implementing agencies like voluntary organizations, National Institutes under the Ministry, ALIMCO, Zila Panchayats, DRDAs, etc.

For rehabilitation of old age persons, the following schemes are under implementation:

a) Integrated Programme for Older Persons for establishing and maintaining old age homes, day care centers, mobile medicare units and to provide non- institutional services through NGOs.

b) Scheme of Assistance to Panchayati Raj Institutions/ voluntary organizations/ self Help Groups for construction of old age homes/ multi service centers for older persons under which one time grant for construction of old age homes/ multi service centers is given.

Details of the schemes are available on the website viz www.socialjustice.nic.in.

